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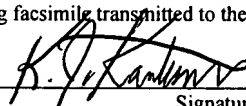
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____ U.S. Patent Application No. 11/396,823, by Bipin S. Parekh, *et al.*, filed April 3, 2006,
Docket No.: 3194.1033-019

____ U.S. Patent Application No. 11/780,681, by Bipin S. Parekh, *et al.*, filed July 20,
2007, Docket No.: 3194.1033-023

____ U.S. Patent Application No. [], by [inventor(s)], filed [], Docket No.: []

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- ☐ A copy of each above-cited application, including the current claims, is enclosed, except any application filed on or after June 30, 2003, which has been scanned into the PTO's Image File Wrapper (IFW) system and is available to the examiner.
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The Examiner is requested to return a copy of the above list of pending applications indicating which references were considered with the next office communication.

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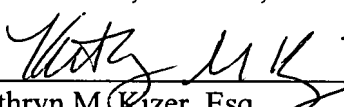
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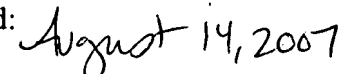
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